

Unadopted Minutes of the BMFA North Eastern Area Meeting held on 3rd October 2018 at Burnmoor Cricket Club, Burnmoor, Co.Durham, DH4 6EX



Officers Present

N	Chairman: Terry Bailey (Fellow)	N	P.R.O.: Position Vacant
Y	Vice Chairman: Martin Johnson (Novocastrians)	N	Delegate: Tom Jones (Teesside MFC)
Y	Secretary: Gary Armstrong (Newcastle MFA)	Y	Education Co-ordinator: Allan Weighell (Fellow)
Y	Treasurer: Tom Walker (Sunderland & DMAC)	Y	Competition Secretary: Allan Weighell (Fellow)
Y	Achievement Scheme Co-ordinator: Gary Armstrong (Newcastle MFA)		

Clubs Represented (eligible to vote)

Newcastle MFA; Weardale MGA; Sunderland & District MAC; Peterlee MAC; City of Sunderland MFC; Chester-le-Street RMC; Eden Valley MAC; Tynedale MFC; Novocastrians; Teesside MFC; Cleveland Indoor;

Apologies for Absence

Terry Bailey (Fellow, Chairman); Tom Jones (Delegate);

Corrections to Previous Minutes

None;

Adoption of Minutes

Proposed: Peter Franklin (Weardale MGA)
Seconded: Dave Errington (Teesside MFC)

Matters Arising

None;

Chairman's Report

Nothing to report;

Secretary's Report

Nothing to report;

Treasurers Report

The Treasurer reported no change to the Area's finances since the last meeting.

Education Co-ordinators Report

Allan Weighell reported that he will be starting a new model flying program with the Middlesbrough ATC sometime in November and running through the winter months until Easter.

PRO's Report

Nothing to report;

Delegates Report

The delegate was not present at the meeting but the one item reported via Allan Weighell was the proposal from the Hon. Treasurer which will be put to the AGM to increase BMFA membership fees by £4.00 to £38.00. The reasons are fully explained in the BMFA news but the main factors are a decline in membership numbers and the reduction, or total loss of the amount of rebate received from the insurers for having a low number of claims during the year.

Flying Disciplines Officers Report

Free Flight

Nothing to report;

Radio Control

The annual Triple Crown Aerobatic competition took place at East Fortune on 7th/8th/9th of September; Gerhard Fehringer (Blyth Valley RMC) was competing as a member of the English Team and finished in 6th place, with the Team in 3rd. The individual competition was won by Steve Burgess of Scotland who were second in the Team event behind the Irish.

The GBRCAA domestic competition scheduled for 15th September was cancelled due to a lack of entries, the following weekend there was a GBRCCA competition at Leicester where Gerhard placed 3rd in FAI "P only". The penultimate competition of the season was at Hurley on 30th September where Gerhard placed 5th again in FAI "P only".

Control Line

At the F2D (combat) centralised competition held at Albemarle on 23rd September Andrew Shields placed 1st. There are control line competitions being run at Buckminster on 7th October which were events not completed at the BMFA Nationals in August, whilst the events are being run they are not replacements for the Nationals.

The final F2D centralised competition is at Albemarle on 14th October.

Indoor

Allan Weighell reported that support for the Nunthorpe meetings was on the increase, whilst the Newton Aycliffe event had experienced a first loss in two years, hopefully this is just a temporary blip. The Peterlee meeting scheduled for the Saturday after the meeting has been cancelled as the venue is in use. Allan also reported on his visit to the Indoor Nationals at Eton with Barry Robinson.

Any Other Business

Peter Franklin (Weardale MGA) raised the topic of the recent consultation exercise on the future of "drones" and although the closing date had passed asked if there were any early indications of possible outcomes. To date there has been no further information from the DTI.

Stephen Wilson (Eden Valley MAC) asked if they could book Albemarle for R/C flying, the dates requested were 18th November and 16th December, Stephen was asked to contact the Chairman who is the Albemarle Liaison officer. *(Following the meeting the dates were confirmed as booked by the Chairman)*. The access arrangements for Albemarle were explained to the meeting by the Vice Chairman.

There being no further business the meeting closed at 8.35pm

The next meeting will be at 8pm on 7th November 2018 at Burnmoor Cricket Club, Burnmoor Co.Durham, DH4 6EX.

Club Secretaries and PROs please note: if you have an event to publicise, give the details to either; Tom Jones, Area Delegate: tom.jp11@gmail.com
Gary Armstrong, Area Secretary: garyarmstrong13@virginmedia.com
The details of your event can then be distributed with the Area minutes in Forthcoming Events* if there is sufficient time and posted on the Area web site and Facebook page.

Date	Event / Host Club	Venue	Other details
1 st Saturday of month	Indoor Flying* PLEASE NOTE NEW TIMES & FEE	Nunthorpe School	5 to 9 pm £5, children free Contact Allan Weighell Allan.weighell@btinternet.com
2 nd Saturday of month	Indoor Flying, Newton Aycliffe	Newton Aycliffe Leisure Centre.	FF, RC (lightweight & heavyweight) Time 1200-1600 Hrs, Proof of insurance required. Contact Mark Shipley 01325 316141 or Allan Weighell allan.weighell@btinternet.com
14 th Oct	F2D Combat	Albemarle Barracks	Dave Riley
18 th Nov	R/C Flying – Eden Valley MAC	Albemarle Barracks	Stephen Wilson stephen.tmf@me.com
16 th Dec	R/C Flying – Eden Valley MAC	Albemarle Barracks	Stephen Wilson stephen.tmf@me.com

*Please note: As the indoor events are held at School premises you are advised to check prior to attending meetings in School holiday periods